



## Letters To Santa Claus

Mexico Mo,  
Dec. 9, 1921.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl six years old and live in the country. I want a stove, doll and doll buggy, and handkerchiefs. My baby brother would like to have a hobby horse. You had better come through the door this time for you might burn in the chimney.

Your friend,

ALTHEA ERDEL.

Mexico Mo,  
Dec. 9, 1921.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy eight years old and I would like to have a wagon, candy oranges. I have a new brother Tony. Please don't forget him and my teacher.

Good bye,

RUSSELL DOERGE.

Mexico Mo,  
Dec. 9, 1921.

Dear Santa Claus:

You may come through the front door. My stocking will be on the door knob. Please bring me a wagon, sled a gun and train, candy, nuts and oranges.

Yours truly,

CLYDE BERRY.

### FROM FOX SCHOOL.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy two years old and live north of Skinner. I want you to bring me a hobby horse, a horn, a watch with a bob, some candy, nuts and oranges.

Don't forget my little brother, Ralph also mother and daddy.

Your little friend,

ROSS TORREYSON.

P. S. Don't forget Grandma and Grandma.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a girl eight years old and am going to school every day and study hard. Please bring me a doll, a game of 'Book' some crayon colors. Don't forget my sister and brother and papa and mother.

Your little friend,

HAZEL CONLEY.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a boy five years old and have been a good little boy. Please bring me a rubber ball, a pencil and a con jigger. Do not forget sister, brother, mother and daddy.

Your little friend,

ROBERT CONLEY.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a girl nine years old and try to be good. I want a sweater and beads. Do not forget my brother and sisters. Sister Mildred wants a doll, a doll buggy and a stove.

Your little friend,

JULIA SURBER.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am going to tell you what I want for Xmas. I want a gun, a French harp, a story book, a watch and lots of candy, nuts and oranges. Don't forget my sister and brothers.

Your little friend,

GLEN BARNES.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a girl eight years old and am going to school every day. I want you to bring me a middy and skirt, a doll and a game of 'Book', some candy and nuts. Don't forget my sisters and brothers.

Your little friend,

HAZEL WISDOM.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am going to tell you what I want for Xmas. I want a sweater, a story book, candy and nuts. Don't forget my sister, papa and mother.

Your little friend,

DOROTHY DAVENPORT.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a good boy and go to school every day. I am six years old. Old Santa will you please send me my presents. I want a Tealbear, telephone horn, ball, drum, car, candy, nuts and gum and oblige.

Your little friend,

WILLIAM ANDERSON.

Dear Santa Claus:

I wish you would bring me a violin, basketball, sled B. B. gun, and tool chest, candy, nuts and oranges. Don't forget Grandma and Grandpa.

Your little friend,

ROBERT TRIBLE.

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl 6 years old and I wish you would please bring me a sleepy doll, a table and a set of dishes and some candy, nuts and oranges.

From your little friend,

LENA RACHEL CLARK.

Dear Santa Claus:

I have been trying to be a good little boy all year, and would like for you to bring me an airplane, some tinov

toys, a rooster with wheels on it, a red white and blue cap, an all day sucker, a cigar and all kinds of nuts. Please don't forget my sister Pearl, and bring her a monkey on the string and a fine comb.

Lovingly,

HARRY MEYER,

Thompson, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus:

As you were so good to me last year I don't want you to forget me this time. Please bring me a bath robe, a hot tub, a fine comb, a tin cup with blue ribbon it, a husher, some oranges and a coconut.

Don't forget my brother, Mac D., as he wants a wash rag and a soap Kewpie.

Your little friend,

THOMAS SPURLING.

Thompson, Mo.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am the same little girl you saw last Christmas on the street only am four inches higher. I want a sweater, stockings, play dishes, two chairs and a table. Please don't forget Grandma.

Your little girl,

MARTHA MUDD.

Mexico, Mo.

Dec. 9, 1921.

Dear Santa Claus:

I want a wagon, a ball telephone, a story book and drum. Don't forget my teacher, she wants some candy.

I love you Santa Claus.

BILL WHEELER.

Mexico, Mo.

Dec. 9, 1921.

Dear Santa Claus:

I've been a good boy this year see me again. I want some stockings oranges and candy and some shoes, and a sled.

Yours truly,

LARENCE DOERGE.

Mexico Mo.

Dec. 9, 1921.

Dear Santa Claus:

I was afraid you didn't know we moved to Audrain County and I go to Prairie Lea Schol so come to see me out here this time.

I want a doll and a wrist watch, a little doll table and doll dishes and a doll buggy and that's all. You may come in and warm before you leave.

With love,

HELEN HALL.

Rush Hill, Missouri.

December 16, 1921.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl eleven years old. I go to Hedgedale school and am in the seventh grade.

Please bring me some books, games, a box of colored chalk, and any thing else.

Don't forget mother and father.

Your little girl,

INEZ FLORINE BARKLEY.

Rush Hill, Missouri.

December 16, 1921.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy four years old. I was born on the fourth of July. I go to the school house every recess and noon.

Please bring me a package of five crackers, a doll a knife and candy, nuts and oranges and a foot ball.

Your little chum,

R. C. BARKLEY, Jr.

P. S. Don't forget mama and papa.

Rush Hill, Missouri.

December 16, 1921.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little boy 8 years old I go to school every day and am in the third grade. Please bring me a ball bat a ball, and air-rifle and a pair of skates. Don't forget the candy, nuts and oranges.

Your little friend,

CALHOUN BARKLEY.

Centralla Couple Marry Here.

Miss Lora Rawlings and Cass Reed Jones, both of Centralla, were married at 2:00 Wednesday afternoon in Mexico at the home of the officiating minister, the Rev. J. D. Greer.

Delayed Gift Buyers, can shop from our Wonderful stock of Gift Goods with perfect satisfaction—Gifts for everyone. CRADDOCK'S. d1 wlt Advertisement

Russell Pritchett of Laddonia, spent Thursday in Mexico.

Pastry and cakes of all kinds for Christmas. Fresh every day. McKINLEY'S BAKERY. 301 St wlt Advertisement

Mrs. J. J. Brown of Fulton is in Mexico for a few days' visit.

Boston Bags of real leather, designed for retail service, from \$3.50 to \$10.00 at CRADDOCK'S. d1 wlt Advertisement

J. A. Guthrie, Jr., visited in Fulton Tuesday. He will spend Christmas in St. Louis the guest of Senator and Mrs. X. P. Whitley. The Senator is recovering nicely from his recent operation.

Substantial and wonderfully made Waste Baskets and Work Baskets, at extremely low prices—CRADDOCK'S. d1 wlt Advertisement

John B. Graham has returned from an extended business trip to New Mex.

## 17-YEAR-OLD BOY SENT TO REFORMATORY

Clayton Squires, 17-year-old boy, was sentenced to three years in the State penitentiary for forgery in the second degree, by the Circuit Court of Audrain County Tuesday afternoon and the sentence later commuted to three years in the State Reformatory at Booneville.

Squires has been in jail here before for passing bad checks and has served six months in federal prison for desertion from the navy. The offense for which he was sentenced Tuesday was passing a number of checks recently in Vandalia. Some of these checks were signed by his own name and others by the name of Clayton Johnson.

### HATTON—CONCORD.

Miss Elsie Cred is on the sick list, but is better at this writing.

Charlie Oppers returned home from St. Louis.

Oran Muir was a Fulton visitor Saturday.

S. W. Muir and wife and Mrs. Charlie Emmons were shopping in Fulton Wednesday.

Mrs. Ray Berry is on the sick list this week.

Mrs. Charlie Oppers is sick with bronchial trouble.

Clifton Cuthbert delivered corn to Tom Bailey this week at 45 cents per bushel.

Speck Huddleston and Neff shipped one car load of hogs to the St. Louis market this week.

Zeak Corner traded his farm to Chal Henderson for his farm and will not have to move this spring.

Boone Gilbert's sale Tuesday was well attended and things sold well.

Mr. Gilbert and his boys have gone to Phoenix, Arizona, to live. We are sorry to lose Boone and his boys, but hope his health will be benefited.

Ray Fishburn delivered oats to Jack Muir this week at 30c per bushel.

C. S. Emmons lost a good yearling this week.

Goose Hill, Flynt and the Fry schools are busy preparing for a Xmas box and exercises on Friday and Saturday.

C. L. Emmons, John Lam and Clair Atkinson butchered hogs this week.

Large assortment of good GAMES for children of all ages, at CRADDOCK'S. d1 wlt Advertisement

Ban on Movies Lifted.

Dr. H. I. Owen, city physician of Fulton, announced Tuesday that the ban which had been placed on moving picture shows because of the prevalence of contagious diseases in Fulton, had been lifted and children could again attend.

FARM FOR EXCHANGE.

Either 100-acre, 80-acre or 40-acre farm to exchange for Mexico city property. GEO. W. ADAMS & SON. 301 St wlt Advertisement

P. W. Smith of Fulton was in Mexico Tuesday.

Pastry and cakes of all kinds for Christmas. Fresh every day. McKINLEY'S BAKERY. 301 St wlt Advertisement

J. J. Whiteside of Centralla was a Mexico visitor Tuesday.

Christmas candy in bulk and in boxes—moderately priced at McKINLEY'S BAKERY. 301 St wlt Advertisement

Mrs. Margaret Harris of Fulton spent Tuesday in Mexico.

Our line of cigars, tobacco and pipes as well as cigar and cigarette holders is complete and attractively priced. CRISWELL DRUG CO.

Children's black boards slightly damaged as long as this lot lasts \$1.98 values sold as is, each 50c

Big values in cut glass handled flower baskets 49c, 99c and \$1.49

Children's velocipedes large size rubber tired \$5.98 value special price ..... \$4.49

150 kiddy cars special price 99c

Children's varnished chairs with rockers \$1.25 value, special price ..... 75c

Big values in doll cabs all rubber tired with hoods \$1.49 and \$2.98 and up to ..... \$4.98

500 imported decorated china salad bowls values up to 90c. Choice on one large table. 49c

Dolls, Dolls, all kinds of dolls. Imported kid bodies dolls natural hair blonde head movable eyes big values 75c, 99c and up to ..... \$3.49

Doll swings ..... 25c and 49c

Children's aluminum toy tea sets, big values 25c, 40c and up to ..... \$1.49

Ladies' felt house slippers \$1.25 per pair. Misses felt house slippers, pair ..... 99c

Imported nickel plated Alarm clocks big value ..... 99c

Bibles and Testaments

CRADDOCK'S Book-Gift-and Art Shop

## FOX SCHOOL GIVES YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL WORK

The Fox School will present a play Saturday evening. This school besides giving the usual course of study prescribed for rural schools gives a year of high school work and next year will add the second year of high school study. The idea of giving High School in Fox Schol is being tried this year for the first time and in the opinion of Ed C. Offutt the trail is being very successful. The State inspectors will visit the school soon and Mr. Offutt is confident that they will accredit the high school work done there. Two teachers are employed there this year and \$1,560 is being expended for their salaries. In order to give the high school work it was necessary for the schoolhouse to be divided into two rooms and the pupils erected the heavier board partition themselves to save expense.

We carry the finest of perfumes. Many in beautiful gift bottles. Come in and see this line offered at money-saving prices.

CRISWELL DRUG CO. 302 2d wlt Advertisement

John Sullivan left Wednesday for Chicago.

We carry the finest of perfumes. Many in beautiful gift bottles. Come in and see this line offered at money-saving prices.

CRISWELL DRUG CO. 302 2d wlt Advertisement

A. H. Kleopfer of Kansas City, representing the Curtis Publishing Company was in Mexico Tuesday to see Don Squires, the boy who so far has the first standing in the contest being held by the company.

Foot Balls, Basket Balls, Punching Bags, Boxing Gloves, at moderate prices—CRADDOCK'S. d1 wlt Advertisement

TEMPERATURE STOOD AT 11 ABOVE ZERO WEDNESDAY MORNING

The thermometer stood at 11 degrees above zero at 7 o'clock Wednesday morning, and at 10 o'clock there had been no rise in temperature. The highest temperature Tuesday was 40 degrees at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Shortly after this time a cold wind arose and the mercury fell rapidly.

Fine Leather Bill Folds \$1.00 to \$10. In large assortments at CRADDOCK'S. d1 wlt Advertisement

Mrs. C. M. Robertson of Bowling Green returned to her home Monday after being the guest of her cousin, Miss Mabel Crawford.

M. S. Bush H. A. Precht

M. S. Bush Undertaking Co

AUTO SERVICE Both Phones

ADMINISTRATOR FILED FINAL RECEIPTS AND IS DISCHARGED

In the estate of David S. Bushnell, the administrator filed final receipts and was discharged.

Clark and Laylin filed demand in the sum of \$628 in the estate of M. W. Parker. Demand waived.

Ladies' Bags and pocketbooks in all the wanted shapes and colors, specially priced from \$1.25 to \$16.00 at CRADDOCK'S. d1 wlt Advertisement

For Gift Buyers

REDUCTIONS ALL OVER THE BIG STORE

Children's black boards slightly damaged as long as this lot lasts \$1.98 values sold as is, each 50c

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Ladies' felt house slippers \$1.25 per pair. Misses felt house slippers, pair ..... 99c

Imported nickel plated Alarm clocks big value ..... 99c

White and white baby bath tubs big value ..... \$1.49

Rock horses for the little folks ..... 95c

Oil floor mops, 48 inch long handle ..... 59c

Out glass water sets with trays, cut star an engraved patterns big values at ..... \$1.98

Axminster rugs beautiful patterns all new designs special price ..... \$2.49

Bread boxes painted blue new designs big values ..... \$1.25

Men's \$5.00 makina coats, big value ..... \$2.98

Men's corduroy pants big value, special price ..... \$2.49

Blanket special wool nap nice large sizes, big values pair \$2.98

Coaster sheds steel runners self guiding, nicely painted, big values ..... \$1.49 and \$2.49

Cut glass sugar and creamers, handle designs, footed, \$1.25 values, special price set ..... 68c

12 foot wide linoleum beautiful patterns to select from, \$1.25 value special price square yd 95c

White bed spreads make useful gifts ..... \$1.49 and \$1.98

## CHURCHES TO CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS

The fact that Christmas comes on Sunday this year seems to make it even more than ever a day for observances in the churches. Last Sunday two beautiful Christmas cantatas were presented in the Christian and Methodist Churches and next Sunday every church will observe the birth of the King with special services and music.

Sunday evening a pageant, 'The Day is Come' will be presented at the Presbyterian Church. Five people will take part. There will also be a program of Christmas music and an address by Dr. A. A. Wallace.

The primary and secondary divisions of the Sunday School of the Christian Church will have a Christmas party at 2:30 Saturday afternoon. The children will bring 'white gifts' to the Christ Child in the form of offering of toys and other things to be sent to the orphans' home in Kansas City. Sunday evening a Christmas pageant 'The Light of the World' will be presented at the church under the direction of Miss Ruth Harper, Mrs. C. C. Hammond and Mrs. A. O. Adams.

There will be a Christmas tree at the Methodist Church at 7:30 Friday night and a short program by the children of the junior and primary departments. Mrs. Wallace Fry, Miss Carrie Edwards and W. C. Cowart are in charge of the program. Sunday evening there will be a program of Christmas music at the church and a reading, 'The Other Wise Man' by Mrs. Norton Melson.

The children of the Baptist Sunday School will give a Christmas program at 7:30 Friday evening at the church. There will be a tree and special music.

BASKETBALL GAME WITH BELLFLOWER CALLED OFF

The basketball game which was scheduled between McMillan High School and Bellflower for Friday evening has been called off. The basketball schedule for the season is not completed but letters have been received from a number of schools requesting games. Much interest is being taken in basketball practice at the school and three letter men, Eldon Reed, Claude Moran and Fred Stallings, will play on the team again this year.

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